



Application No. 09/586,530

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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the application of	)	Docket No. LAM2P282
	)	
Ni et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1765
	)	
Application No. 09/586,530	)	Examiner: V. Perez-Ramos
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Filed: May 31, 2000	)	Date: September 12, 2002
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For: ETCH ENDPOINT DETECTION	)	

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Applicants submit this paper in response to the Office Action dated June 12, 2002. Please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Twice Amended) A method for determining an endpoint for etching a layer, comprising:  
selecting an etch endpoint; and, during etch,

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicant hereby transmits an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims Remaining After <u>Amendment</u>	Highest Previously <u>Paid For</u>	Present <u>Extra</u>	SMALL ENTITY <u>RATE FEE</u>	OR	LARGE ENTITY <u>RATE FEE</u>
TOTAL CLAIMS	<u>15</u> -	<u>20</u>	<u>00</u>	X09 = \$	OR	X18 = \$
INDEP CLAIMS	<u>02</u> -	<u>03</u>	<u>00</u>	X40 = \$	OR	X80 = \$
[ ] Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid				\$135		\$270
TOTAL				\$ _____		\$ <u>0</u>

- ☒ Applicant believes that no Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant hereby petitions that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 50-0805
- ☒ If the required fees are missing or any additional fees are required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, please charge such fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM2P282). A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,  
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